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1. At 7 p.m. on 10 October 1953, a shipment of 6 x 120-mm mortars, 8 x 122-mm howitzers, about 40 trucks, [REDACTED] and about 600 troops was detrained and left for the Hubertus Kaserne. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] participated in the unloading, but they had not arrived with the shipment. On 12 October, a train of about 30 railroad cars carrying bridge building equipment, about 150 pontoons and about 100 engineer soldiers was unloaded. Trucks [REDACTED] were seen during the unloading. The detrained equipment was shipped to the Hubertus Kaserne and the Luettich Kaserne. Prior to the arrival of the trains, an undetermined number of amphibious vehicles had arrived by road.
2. On 19 October, two shipments of about 25 trucks, 7 guns towed by 7 prime movers and 5 converted boxcars arrived at the Wittenberg railroad station at 4 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., coming from the direction of Halle. [REDACTED]
3. At 3:30 p.m. on 22 October, a shipment of 53 boxcars occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 1 kitchen car and 1 ration supply car was seen at the Muehlanger railroad station near Wittenberg. [REDACTED] the shipment had come from Kuestrin and was bound for Magdeburg. The soldiers were 17 to 20 years old, had closely-cropped hair and did not speak German.
4. Highway No 84, which crosses the Kindel troop training grounds, was no longer blocked. On 23 October, the troop training ground was occupied only by a rear detail of 30 to 50 soldiers. A considerable number of troops had left the training grounds by road.

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1. [REDACTED] As had already been observed on 8 and 9 October [REDACTED] artillery and engineer units of the 57th Gds Itz Rifle Div returned from the Kindel training area. [REDACTED] during the entraining in Kindel [REDACTED] The 655th How Arty Regt and the 67th Engr Bn (US) can thus be carried in the Hubertus Kaserne as previously.

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2. [Redacted] Units of the 34th Army Div (US), which returned to
Potsdam from the maneuvers in Thuringia.

3. [Redacted] The shipment of recruits is shuttle-train No 110
for personnel.

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